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| <i>Application Number</i> | 10/666,236 |
| <i>Filing Date</i> | September 19, 2003 |
| <i>First Named Inventor</i> | Ammar Derra |
| <i>Art Unit</i> | 2879 |
| <i>Examiner Name</i> | S. Leurig |
| <i>Attorney Docket Number</i> | 2269-7160.1US (98-0716.01/US) |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. Other _____
- b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other Petition for Extension of Time *Powers of Attorney and Prosecution of Prior Powers*

2. Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) required)
- b. Other _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 20-1469
 - i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) : 04/28/2005 SHASSEN1 00000035 10666236
 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. 1.136 and 1.17) : 01 FC:1801 790.00 OP
 - iii. Other _____
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Ammar Derra

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For: FIELD EMISSION DEVICE HAVING
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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR
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**PLEASE NOTE ENCLOSED POWER OF ATTORNEY, REVOCATION OF
PRIOR POWER OF ATTORNEY AND REQUEST TO CHANGE CORRESPONDENCE
ADDRESS WITH STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 3.73.**

This Amendment is submitted simultaneously with a REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION, a petition for a two month extension of time, and the required fees. Prior to examination of the above-referenced patent application on the merits, entry of the amendments as set forth herein is respectfully solicited.

Serial No. 10/666,236

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.